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**Request
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Examiner Name	Sue Xu Liu	
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

- Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s)
 - Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendment filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
 - Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - Other _____
 - Enclosed

i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply	iii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)	PTO-1449 form (3 documents)
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- Miscellaneous**
 - Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
 - Other _____
- Fee** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.
 - The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-1050

i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)	12/14/2006 HGUTEMA1 00000067 09988899
ii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)	01 FC:2801
iii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Any deficiencies</u>	395.00 OP
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